

ABSTRACT

Title: Method of Annotating an Item with electronic data and apparatus therefor

5 A method of annotating an item with electronic data is described which comprises securing a memory tag to the item, the memory tag having a memory and a transponder to enable wireless communication with the memory tag, and having an external dimension D . The memory tag is adapted for wireless communication only with a transceiver located within a distance of $10D$ of the
10 memory tag.

 Also described is apparatus for annotating an item with electronic data wherein the apparatus comprises a memory tag which in use is secured to the item, and a transceiver for wireless communication with the memory tag. The memory tag includes a memory and a transponder, and has an external
15 dimension D . The memory tag and transceiver are adapted for wireless communication therebetween only when the transceiver is located within a distance of $10D$ of the memory tag.